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1. THE CITIZEN, JOHANNESBURG, TUESDAY JULY 19, UNDER THE
BY-LINE AIDA PARKER, CONTINUES ITS SERIES ON THE SECRET US WAR
AGAINST
S.A. AS FOLLOWS:
QUOTE U.S. MASTER PLAN TO WRECK S.A. ECONOMY. GROUP ACTION,
LATEST US MASTER PLAN AIMED AT COLLAPSING THE SOUTH AFRICAN
ECONOMY, IS A HIGHLY PROFESSIONAL DOCUMENT- " SO COMPETENTLY
PREPARED THAT IT MAKES YOUR BLOOD GO COLD" COMMENTED ONE
ANALYST. ALREADY IT IS BEING USED AS A BASIS FOR ANTI-SOUTH
AFRICAN ACTIVITY IN 1000 US UNIVERSITIES AND THOUSANDS OF
US CHURCHES, COMMUNITY AND LABOR GROUPS. GROUP ACTION IS THE
WORK OF THE AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE. IN ITS
FOREWORD, THE 60-PAGE DOCUMENT, " ACTION GUIDE ON SOUTH AFRICA"
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1. THAT THE US IS NOW SOUTH AFRICA'S THIRD LARGEST TRADING
PARTNER, SURPASSED AS A CUSTOMER ONLY BY THE UK AND JAPAN,
AND AS A SUPPLIER BY THE UK AND WEST GERMANT.
2. THAT THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 400 US FIRMS NOW ACTIVE IN
SOUTH AFRICA WITH INVESTMENTS OF AT LEAST R1500 MILLION IN
BOOK VALUE.
3. THAT THE US NOW HOLDS ABOUT 20 PERCENT OF ALL FOREIGN

INVESTMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA.

EFFICIENTLY USED, SAYS THE DOCUMENT, THE GROUP ACTION

BLUEPRINT COULD MAKE POSSIBLE " THE FIRST STEPS ... FOR

TOTAL WITHDRAWAL FROM SOUTH AFRICA".

THE DOCUMENT THEN DETAILS HOW SYMPATHISERS, MILITANTS AND ACTIVISTS, OPERATING AT LOCAL, STATE AND NATIONAL LEVELS, CAN ASSIST IN THE OVERALL CAMPAIGN TO STRANGLE THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT, FINANCIALLY AND ECONOMICALLY.

IT GIVES FULL DETAILS OF METHODS FOR:

1. ARRANGING, SPONSORING AND PROMOTING TRADE AND SPORTS BOYCOTTS.
2. ARRANGING, SPONSORING AND PROMOTING AN ONSLAUGHT ON ALL BANKS AND FINANCE HOUSES DEALING WITH SOUTH AFRICA.
3. HOW TO SET ABOUT WRECKING SALES OF THE KRUGER RAND IN AMERICA.
4. HOW TO PROCEED AGAINST ALL COMPANIES, ESPECIALLY MULTI-NATIONALS, OR WITH SUBSIDIARIES DOING BUSINESS IN THIS COUNTRY.

BECAUSE OF THE DEPTH OF PENETRATION OF AMERICAN INDUSTRIAL, INVESTMENT AND MINING COMMITMENT INTO THE SOUTH AFRICAN ECONOMY GENERALLY, THIS DOCUMENT THEN BECOMES POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC DYNAMITE.

FUNDING. SHOULD GROUP ACTION SUCCEED EVEN PARTIALLY IN ITS
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OBJECTIVES, THE NATIONAL ECONOMY COULD BE KNOCKED SIDEWAYS AND THE JOBS OF TENS OF THOUSANDS OF WORKERS, BLACK AND WHITE ALIKE, DANGEROUSLY JEOPARDISED.

THE IMMEDIATE QUESTION THEN IS: JUST WHO AND WHAT IS THE AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE? WHO PROVIDES ITS FUNDS - A CAMPAIGN OF THIS TYPE CAN BE VERY COSTLY INDEED? MORE PARTICULARLY IS THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT IN ANY WAY INVOLVED IN THIS EFFORT? THE PHILADELPHIA-BASED AFSC, DESCRIBED AS A PEACE ORGANIZATION SUPPORTED BY THE QUAKER CHURCH, WAS INTIALLY ORGANIZED IN 1917 BY THE QUAKERS AS A WELFARE ORGANIZATION. IN ITS FIRST 12 YEARS AFSC ENJOYED A WIDESPREAD REPUTATION AS A COMMENDABLE WELFARE ARM OF THE QUAKERS.

MASSIVE CHANGE, HOWEVER, CAME WITH THE APPOINTMENT OF ONE CLARENCE PICKET (AFSC EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, 1929-50) DURING HIS TENURE AFSC BECAME AN ACTIVE POLITICAL PRESSURE GROUP.

SOME OF ITS ASSOCIATIONS WERE WITH COMMUNISTS AND NEO-COMMUNISTS. SOME WERE WITH AMERICAN SUPPORTERS OF A ONE-WORLD GOVERNMENT.

OTHERS WERE WITH ORGANIZATIONS IN SYMPATHY WITH THE SO-CALLED AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS.

THESE INCLUDED THE AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON AFRICA, AFRICA DEFENCE AND AID FUND, AND THE WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM.

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TAX EXPT. IN 1954 THE US HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE TAX-EXEMPT FOUNDATIONS REPORTED THAT THE AFSC ASSISTED IN THE ORGANIZATION OF THE AMERICAN STUDENT UNION, CITED AS A COMMUNIST FRONT; THE WAR RESISTERS' LEAGUE; THE FELLOWSHIP OF RECONCILIATION; THE INDEPENDENT COMMUNIST LABOR LEAGUE AND OTHER LEFT-WING PRO-COMMUNIST OR ANTI-ANTI-COMMUNIST BODIES.

DESPITE THIS SYMPATHETIC LINK WITH COMMUNIST OR PRO-COMMUNIST ORGANIZATIONS, DON'T THINK FOR A MOMENT THAT AFSC WAS DEPENDENT ON FUNDS FROM COMMUNIST SOURCES.

ON THE CONTRARY, THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE EXPRESSED CONCERN

THAT THE FORD FOUNDATION HAD GRANTED AFSC A TOTAL
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OF \$1,340,000 OF THE PUBLIC'S MONEY, NOTWITHSTANDING
THE AFSC'S HISTORY OF POLITICAL ACTIVITY.

THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE CONCLUDED THAT, WHEN THE FORD
FOUNDATION GAVE TAX-EXEMPT FUNDS TO THE POLITICALLY
ACTIVE AFSC, THE FOUNDATION'S OFFICERS WERE GUILTY OF GROSS
NEGLECT.

BUT WAS THE AFSC REALLY INTERESTED IN UNDERPINNING
COMMUNIST SECTIONAL ACTIVITY, OR WAS IT MORE INTERESTED
IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A ONE-WORLD GOVERNMENT?

THE ANSWER TO THAT SEEMED TO COME IN 1955 WHEN AFSC PUBLISHED
A SPECIAL STUDY ENTITLED QUOTE SPEAK TRUTH TO POWER: A QUAKER
SEARCH FOR AN ALTERNATIVE TO VIOLENCE UNQUOTE. US SENATORS
ATTACKED THIS STUDY AS A COMBINATION OF EXTREME PACIFISM AND
DEFEAT IN THE FACE OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST CONSPIRACY.
DENOUNCED. INCLUDED IN THE STORY WAS A BITTER DENUNCIACTION
OF ANTI-COMMUNISM. TO IMPROVE THE US, THE STUDY RE-
COMMENDED THE CONSCIENTIOUS REFUSAL TO TAKE LOYALTY OATHS
(OR) TO DO MILITARY SERVICE.

AMERICAN, SAID THE AFSC, SHOULD GET RID OF ITS MILITARY
ESTABLISHMENT. VARIOUS AVENUES MIGHT BE TAKEN TO ACHIEVE
THIS RESULT. MANY SUGGESTED THAT THE MOST PROBABLE AND
PRACTICAL APPROACH WOULD BE THROUGH THE SIMPLE TRANSFER
OF THE SECURITY FUNCTION TO A WORLD ORGANIZATION.

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDED THE SUPPORT OF GREAT
SOCIAL REVOLUTION THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. SINCE THE
MID-60'S AFSC HAS SHOWN AN ALMOST TOTAL COMMITMENT TO
THIS CONCEPT, WITH SOUTH AFRICA AS A PARTICULAR TARGET
COUNTRY FOR DESTABILISING ACTIVITIES.

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HOW SHOULD AFSC TODAY BE LISTED? AS A COMMUNIST-FRONT
ORGANIZATION? OR AS AN OFFSHOOT OF AMERICA'S LIBERAL
INTERNATIONAL NEW WORLD ORDER WING, THE CONCEPT OF
A WORLD SUPRA-STATE AS ADVOCATED BY THE ROCKEFELLER-
DOMINATED COUNCIL OF FOREIGN RELATIONS AND THE TRILATERAL
COMMISSION, NOW IN EFFECTIVE CONTROL OF THE CARTER
ADMINISTRATION?

ROCKEFELLER. BEST ANSWERS TO THAT LIES IN ONE OF AFSC'S MAIN SOURCES OF FUNDING: FROM THE GIANT ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION. NOW LET'S LOOK AT SOME OF THE 74 ORGANIZATIONS WHICH HAVE PLEDGED THEIR SUPPORT AND BACKING TO THE GROUP ACTION ONSLAUGHT ON SOUTH AFRICA. MANY ARE ZOMBIE GROUPS WITHOUT ANY REAL POLITICAL MUSCLE. OTHERS ARE HEAVYWEIGHTS, THE MOST IMPORTANT BEING:

THE AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON AFRICA. STAFF 15; MEMBERS AROUND 20,000, INCLUDING CONGRESSWOMAN BELLA ABZUG; LABOR LEADER VICTOR REUTHER; ACTOR SIDNEY POITIER; WRITER JAMES BALDWIN.

ACOA IS THE PARENT ORGANIZATION FOR VIRTUALLY ALL NON-CHURCH, NON-RADICAL MARXIST, ANTI-SOUTH AFRICAN GROUPS IN THE US. SINCE ITS FOUNDING, IT HAS BEEN A LOCAL POINT FOR BOTH US POLITICAL AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS. IT SET UP THE AFRICA DEFENCE AND AID FUND (US); HAS MOBILISED PROMINENT SPORT AND ENTERTAINMENT FIGURES TO BOYCOTT SOUTH AFRICA; HAS INITIATED ACTION AND COOPERATIONS WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS IN PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS, PICKETS AND RALLIES.

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CHROME. IT PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE OUTLAWING OF US IMPORTS OF RHODESIAN CHROME; DURING THE ANGOLA WAR WORKED FEVERISHLY TO SUPPORT THE MARXIST MPLA; CONTROLS THE PUBLICATION OF THE QUARTERLY JOURNAL AFRICA TODAY, WHICH IS VIRULENTLY ANTI-SOUTH AFRICAN AND IS FOUND ON ALMOST ALL US CAMPUSES AND IN MOST PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

ACOA IS THE PRIME RESOURCE BEHIND THE PUBLICATION OF THE BI-MONTHLY MAGAZINE, SOUTHERN AFRICA; HIGHLY REGARDED IN THE AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS AND WITH A WIDE CIRCULATION FOR A PUBLICATION OF THIS TYPE.

ACOA HAS PLAYED A LEADING ROLE IN THE US DISINVESTMENT
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CAMPAIGN AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA. IT WAS LARGELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CHURCH-SPONSORED BOYCOTT OF ITT, MOTOROLA, IBM AND CONTROL DATA. IT CHALLENGED ITT'S INVESTMENTS IN SOUTH AFRICA. ACOA STAFFER PAUL IRISH HELPED TO FORM THE COALITION TO PROHIBIT THE IMPORTATION OF SOUTH AFRICAN COAL. ACOA WAS BEHIND THE LEGAL SUIT TO PROHIBIT US NEWSPAPERS FROM ACCEPTING ADVERTISEMENTS FOR JOBS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

ACOA EARLIER THIS YEAR SPONSORED AN APARTHEID KILLS POSTER CONTEST, WITH A FIRST PRIZE OF \$500 FOR THE BEST POSTER WHICH WOULD DRAMATICALLY AWAKEN PEOPLE TO THE MURDER, INJUSTICE, AND OPPRESSION WHICH IS APARTHEID.

THE CONTEST WAS PARTICULARLY AIMED AT HIGH SCHOOLS, AND COLLEGES.

ACOA IS ALSO BEHIND THE STOP THE KRUGER RAND CAMPAIGN, EQUATING THE PURCHASE OF THE KRUGER RAND WITH INVESTMENT IN OPPRESSION.

FINANCED. ACOA HAS BEEN FINANCIALLY SUPPORTING THE AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS SINCE THE MID 1950'S.

DOES THE US GOVERNMENT DISAPPROVE OR ATTEMPT IN ANY WAY TO RESTRICT ACOA ACTIVITY?

WELL, AGAIN, THE BEST ANSWER TO THAT LIES IN ACOA'S FUNDING. WHILE IT IS VERY DIFFICULT TO WORK ONE'S WAY THROUGH THE LABYRINTHINE MAZE OF US FOUNDATION SUPPORT FOR THESE VARIOUS ANTI-SOUTH AFRICAN GROUPS, IN THIS CASE IT CAN BE DISCLOSED THAT ACOA IS OFFICIALLY FINANCED FROM THE

AFRICA FUND.

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A CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION, THE AFRICA FUND WAS SET UP TO ALLOW ACOA TO RECEIVE TAX-DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS AND TO PROVIDE IT WITH A MORE EFFICIENT METHOD OF RECEIVING AND DISBURSING FUNDS FOR ACOA ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS.

AMONG THE AFRICA FUND'S MOST REGULAR AND GENEROUS PATRONS ARE THE SAMUEL RUBIN FOUNDATION AND THE NORMAN FOUNDATION, BOTH STARTED TO BE REGULAR CIA CONDUITS. LIKE THE AFRICA FUND, BOTH ARE ALSO TAX EMPT.

IMMEDIATELY A FUND OR FOUNDATION IS DECLARED TAX EMPT, IT MEANS, IN EFFECT THAT IT HAS GOVERNMENT SUPPORT. NO GOVERNMENT WOULD ALLOW ANY FUND OR FOUNDATION TO CONTINUE AS TAX EMPT IF IT WAS CONSIDERED THAT SUCH A BODY OPERATED AGAINST THE INTERESTS OF THAT GOVERNMENT.

IT CAN BE ASSUMED THEN THAT ACOA AND OTHERS LIKE IT OPERATE WITH AT LEAST THE TACIT APPROVAL AND CONSENT OF THE WASHINGTON ADMINISTRATION. UNQUOTE.
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